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Mr. William E. Colby
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Dear Bill:

As one method of justifying the need for an ongoing intelligence program, members of our Commission have suggested some documentation of Communist activities in this field would be appropriate. It would be helpful to know if you have detected any reduction in Soviet intelligence activities worldwide concomitant with the new mood of detente. To the extent possible, we should like to have pertinent data on trends in the number and objectives of known and suspected Communist intelligence officers stationed abroad and the degree of sophistication which Communist intelligence efforts demonstrate. Any other comparative method of showing the thrust of Communist activities which you think appropriate would be appreciated.

The Commission's Committee on Intelligence and National Security will meet to consider a draft report on February 3-4. Thus, there is some urgency attached to this request. If further elaboration would be useful, I hope someone on your staff may be able to contact our Intelligence Project Director, Mr. Kent Crane (296-5151).

Cordially,

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